NOTICE OF GRANT AVAILABILITY

NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:

Abstinence Education GRANT PROGRAM NO. 05-41-CHS STATUTORY AUTHORITY: TYPE OF AWARDS TO BE ISSUED:

Section 510 of Title V of the Social Security Act

Cost-reimbursement Grants

PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS WILL BE USED:

- 1. To teach that abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain way to avoid out of wedlock pregnancy, and sexually transmitted diseases.
- 2. To teach young people how to reject sexual advances and how alcohol and drug use increases vulnerability to sexual advances.
- 3. To teach the importance of attaining self-sufficiency before engaging in sexual activity.

AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THE GRANT PROGRAM:

Funds available for this program are contingent upon Congressional reauthorization of the program and Federal Appropriations. Approximately \$818,000 should be available in SFY 2005 to support nine - eleven abstinence education projects. A non-federal match of \$3 for every \$4 dollars of grant funding is required. Grantees will be required to document the availability of non-federal match, which may be local or private resources or in-kind.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Terms and Conditions for the Administration of Grants.
- 2. General and specific Grant Compliance requirements is sued by the Granting Agency.
- 3. Applicable Federal Cost Principles relating to the Applicant.

GROUP OR ENTITIES WHICH MAY APPLY FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM:

Local and county health departments, nursing service agencies, hospitals, educational institutions, and non-profit community-based agencies.

QUALIFICATIONS NEEDED BY APPLICANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A GRANT:

Capacity and ability to meet both programmatic and fiscal requirements to carry out the abstinence education activities.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

- 1. Contact Office of the Director (see below).
- 2. Competitive Request for Applications (RFA), will be issued on or about December 15, 2003.
- 3. Prepare Grant Application in accordance with instructions in RFA.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Office of the Director

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DEADLINE BY WHICH APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED:

Anticipated deadline date is February 20, 2004. Final deadline data will be announced in the RFA.

DATE BY WHICH APPLICANT SHALL BE NOTIFIED WHETHER THEY WILL RECEIVE FUNDS:

Applicant will be notified 30 days prior to start of the grant.